

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend paragraph [0002] of the specification as follows.

This application is related by subject matter to the inventions disclosed in the following commonly assigned applications, the contents of which are hereby incorporated into this present application in their entirety (and partially summarized herein for convenience): U.S. patent application Ser. No. 10/647,058 (Atty. Docket No. MSFT-1748), filed on Aug. 21, 2003, entitled "SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR REPRESENTING UNITS OF INFORMATION MANAGEABLE BY A HARDWARE/SOFTWARE INTERFACE SYSTEM BUT INDEPENDENT OF PHYSICAL REPRESENTATION"; U.S. patent application Ser. No. 10/646,941 (Atty. Docket No. MSFT-1749), filed on Aug. 21, 2003, entitled "SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR SEPARATING UNITS OF INFORMATION MANAGEABLE BY A HARDWARE/SOFTWARE INTERFACE SYSTEM FROM THEIR PHYSICAL ORGANIZATION"; U.S. patent application Ser. No. 10/646,940 (Atty. Docket No. MSFT-1750), filed on Aug. 21, 2003, entitled "SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A BASE SCHEMA FOR ORGANIZING UNITS OF INFORMATION MANAGEABLE BY A HARDWARE/SOFTWARE INTERFACE SYSTEM"; U.S. patent application Ser. No. 10/646,645 (Atty. Docket No. MSFT-1752), filed on Aug. 21, 2003, entitled "SYSTEMS AND METHOD FOR REPRESENTING RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN UNITS OF INFORMATION MANAGEABLE BY A HARDWARE/SOFTWARE INTERFACE SYSTEM"; U.S. patent application Ser. No. 10/646,575 (Atty. Docket No. MSFT-2733), filed on Aug. 21, 2003, entitled "SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR INTERFACING APPLICATION PROGRAMS WITH AN ITEM-BASED STORAGE PLATFORM"; U.S. patent application Ser. No. 10/646,646 (Atty. Docket No. MSFT-2734), filed on Aug. 21, 2003, entitled "STORAGE PLATFORM FOR ORGANIZING, SEARCHING, AND SHARING DATA"; U.S. patent application Ser. No. 10/646,580 (Atty. Docket No. MSFT-2735), filed on Aug. 21, 2003, entitled "SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR DATA MODELING IN AN ITEM-BASED STORAGE PLATFORM"; U.S. patent application Ser. No. 10/692,779 (Atty. Docket No. MSFT-2829), filed ~~on even date herewith~~ Oct. 24, 2003, entitled "SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A DIGITAL IMAGES SCHEMA FOR ORGANIZING UNITS OF INFORMATION

MANAGEABLE BY A HARDWARE/SOFTWARE INTERFACE SYSTEM"; U.S. patent application Ser. No. 10/692,515 (Atty. Docket No. MSFT-2844), filed ~~on even date herewith~~ Oct. 24, 2003, entitled "SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR PROVIDING SYNCHRONIZATION SERVICES FOR UNITS OF INFORMATION MANAGEABLE BY A HARDWARE/SOFTWARE INTERFACE SYSTEM"; U.S. patent application Ser. No. 10/692,508 (Atty. Docket No. MSFT-2845), filed ~~on even date herewith~~ Oct. 24, 2003, entitled "SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR PROVIDING RELATIONAL AND HIERARCHICAL SYNCHRONIZATION SERVICES FOR UNITS OF INFORMATION MANAGEABLE BY A HARDWARE/SOFTWARE INTERFACE SYSTEM"; and U.S. patent application Ser. No. 10/693,574 (Atty. Docket No. MSFT-2847), filed ~~on even date herewith~~ Oct. 24, 2003, entitled "SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR EXTENSIONS AND INHERITANCE FOR UNITS OF INFORMATION MANAGEABLE BY A HARDWARE/SOFTWARE INTERFACE SYSTEM".